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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 15 January 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:
- a) ☒ entered.
  - b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
  - c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  
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  - d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
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